

**1.0 MARICOPA COUNTY STANDARD CONTRACTUAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR INVITATION FOR BIDS:**

**1.1 LANGUAGE FOR REQUIREMENTS CONTRACTS:**

Contractors signify their understanding and agreement by signing a bid submittal, that the Contract resulting from the bid will be a requirements contract. However, the Contract does not guarantee any purchases will be made. It only indicates that if purchases are made for the materials contained in the Contract, they will be purchased from the Contractor awarded that item. Orders will only be placed when a need is identified by a Using Agency or department and proper authorization and documentation have been approved.

The Department of Materials Management reserves the right to cancel Purchase Orders within a reasonable period of time after issuance. Should a Purchase Order be canceled, the County agrees to reimburse the Contractor but only for actual and documentable costs incurred by the Contractor due to and after issuance of the Purchase Order. The County will not reimburse the Contractor for any costs incurred after receipt of County notice of cancellation, or for lost profits, shipment of product prior to issuance of Purchase Order, etc.

Contractors agree to accept verbal notification of cancellation from the Department of Materials Management with written notification to follow. By submitting a bid in response to the Invitation For Bids, the Contractor specifically acknowledges to be bound by this cancellation policy.

**1.2 UNCONDITIONAL TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE:**

Maricopa County may terminate the resultant Contract for convenience by providing sixty (60) calendar days advance notice to the Contractor.

**1.3 TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT:**

If the Contractor fails to meet deadlines, or fails to provide the agreed upon service/material altogether, a termination for default will be issued. The termination for default will be issued only after the County deems that the Contractor has failed to remedy the problem after being forewarned.

**1.4 TERMINATION BY THE COUNTY:**

If the Contractor should be adjudged bankrupt or should make a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors, or if a receiver should be appointed on account of its insolvency, the County may terminate the Contract. If the Contractor should persistently or repeatedly refuse or should fail, except in cases for which extension of time is provided, to provide enough properly skilled workers or proper materials, or persistently disregard laws and ordinances, or not proceed with work or otherwise be guilty of a substantial violation of any provision of this Contract, then the County may terminate the Contract. Prior to termination of the Contract, the County shall give the Contractor fifteen (15) calendar days written notice. Upon receipt of such termination notice, the Contractor shall be allowed fifteen (15) calendar days to cure such deficiencies.

**1.5 STATUTORY RIGHT OF CANCELLATION FOR CONFLICT OF INTEREST:**

Notice is given that pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-511 the County may cancel any Contract without penalty or further obligation within three years after execution of the contract, if any person significantly involved in initiating, negotiating, securing, drafting or creating

the contract on behalf of the County is at any time while the Contract or any extension of the Contract is in effect, an employee or agent of any other party to the Contract in any capacity or consultant to any other party of the Contract with respect to the subject matter of the Contract. Additionally, pursuant to A.R.S § 38-511 the County may recoup any fee or commission paid or due to any person significantly involved in initiating, negotiating, securing, drafting or creating the contract on behalf of the County from any other party to the contract arising as the result of the Contract.

1.6 OFFSET FOR DAMAGES;

In addition to all other remedies at Law or Equity, the County may offset from any money due to the Contractor any amounts Contractor owes to the County for damages resulting from breach or deficiencies in performance of the contract.

1.7 ADDITIONS/DELETIONS OF SERVICE:

The County reserves the right to add and/or delete materials to a Contract. If a service requirement is deleted, payment to the Contractor will be reduced proportionately, to the amount of service reduced in accordance with the bid price. If additional materials are required from a Contract, prices for such additions will be negotiated between the Contractor and the County.

1.8 SUBCONTRACTING:

The Contractor may not assign a Contract or Subcontract to another party for performance of the terms and conditions hereof without the written consent of the County. All correspondence authorizing subcontracting must reference the Bid Serial Number and identify the job project.

The Subcontractor's rate for the job shall not exceed that of the Prime Contractor's rate, as bid in the pricing section, unless the Prime Contractor is willing to absorb any higher rates. The Subcontractor's invoice shall be invoiced directly to the Prime Contractor, who in turn shall pass-through the costs to the County, without mark-up. A copy of the Subcontractor's invoice must accompany the Prime Contractor's invoice.

1.9 AMENDMENTS:

All amendments to a Contract must be in writing and signed by both parties.

1.10 RETENTION OF RECORDS:

The Contractor agrees to retain all financial books, records, and other documents relevant to a Contract for five (5) years after final payment or until after the resolution of any audit questions which could be more than five (5) years, whichever is longer. The Department, Federal or State auditors and any other persons duly authorized by the Department shall have full access to, and the right to examine, copy and make use of, any and all said materials.

1.11 ADEQUACY OF RECORDS:

If the Contractor's books, records and other documents relevant to a Contract are not sufficient to support and document that allowable materials were provided, the Contractor shall reimburse Maricopa County for the materials not so adequately supported and documented.

1.12     **AUDIT DISALLOWANCES:**

If at any time it is determined by the Department that a cost for which payment has been made is a disallowed cost, the Department shall notify the Contractor in writing of the disallowance and the required course of action, which shall be at the option of the Department either to adjust any future claim submitted by the Contractor by the amount of the disallowance or to require repayment of the disallowed amount by the Contractor forthwith issuing a check payable to Maricopa County.

1.13     **VALIDITY:**

The invalidity, in whole or in part, of any provision of the Contract shall not void or affect the validity of any other provision of the Contract.

1.14     **RIGHTS IN DATA:**

The County shall have the use of data and reports resulting from a Contract without additional cost or other restriction except as may be established by law or applicable regulation. Each party shall supply to the other party, upon request, any available information that is relevant to a Contract and to the performance thereunder